

PREMIUM OFFER CONTRACT

A contract to sell grain that establishes a cash price in a nearby delivery period at a premium in return for a firm offer to sell grain in a deferred period.

HOW DOES IT WORK:

The producer agrees to sell a specific quantity of grain for a specific delivery period at a cash price plus a premium to the current market in return for a firm offer to sell a like amount of corn at a specified price in a deferred period.

WHEN TO USE:

- Current prices including basis and premium represent an opportunity to lock in a desired margin level
- Producer wants to capture premium on nearby cash sales
- Producer outlook is bearish
- Producers are anticipating basis depreciation
- Producers is looking for a scale up marketing approach
- Market volatility is high

ADVANTAGES:

- Bushels are sold for nearby delivery
- Price includes a premium to the current market
- Firm offer on second unit of bushels can be incorporated into broader marketing plan
- Allows producers to lock in prices ahead of harvest

THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- Price will not increase if the futures market rallies beyond premium received
- Price will not increase if basis appreciates
- Obligation to sell additional unit of bushels may end up below the deferred market price, perhaps significantly

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